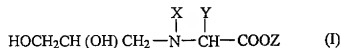


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) ~~Cosmetics containing~~ A cosmetic comprising an amino acid N-glyceryl ~~N-glyceryl~~ derivative ~~represented by of~~ the following formula (I) or salt thereof~~[[:]]~~ :



[[:]] wherein[[:]] X represents ~~is~~ hydrogen atom, $-\text{CH}^2\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{CH}^2\text{OH}$ group or alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms[[:]] ; Y represents ~~is~~ a side chain of ~~a amino acid~~; an α -amino acid; and Z represent ~~is~~ a hydrogen atom, alkali metal, ammonium group, organic ammonium group or $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$ $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$ group.

2. (Currently Amended) The ~~cosmetics~~ cosmetic according to claim 1, wherein ~~the~~ content of the amino acid N-glyceryl ~~N-glyceryl~~ derivative ~~represented by the of~~ formula (I) or salt thereof is an amount of 0.1 to 20 % by weight ~~to of the~~ total weight of the cosmetic.

3. (Currently Amended) The ~~cosmetics~~ cosmetic according to claim 1 or claim 2, wherein the amino acid N-glyceryl derivative ~~represented by the of~~ formula (I) or salt thereof is ~~an a~~ glyceryl derivative of a basic amino acid or salt thereof.

4. (Currently Amended) ~~The cosmetics~~ A skin care cosmetic comprising the cosmetic according to claim 1, ~~which are skin care cosmetics.~~

5. (Currently Amended) ~~The cosmetics~~ A hair cosmetic comprising the cosmetic according to claim 1, ~~which are hair cosmetics.~~

6. (New) The cosmetic according to claim 2, wherein Y is a side chain of an α -amino acid selected from the group consisting of glycine, alanine, valine, leucine, isoleucine, serine, threonine, phenylalanine, tyrosine, tryptophan, sarcosine, N-methylalanine, α -aminobutyric acid, cystine, methionine, cysteine, proline, hydroxyproline, lysine, hydroxylysine, arginine, histidine, ornithine aspartic acid, and glutamic acid.

7. (New) The cosmetic according to claim 2, wherein Z is an organic ammonium group of the formula $-NR_4^+$, wherein R is selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, methyl group, ethyl group, hydroxymethyl group, hydroxyethyl group, 2-methyl-1, 3-propanediol-2-yl group and 2-methyl-1-propanolamine-2-yl group, wherein at least one R group is not a hydrogen atom.

8. (New) The cosmetic according to claim 6, wherein Z is an organic ammonium group of the formula $-NR_4^+$, wherein R is selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, methyl group, ethyl group, hydroxymethyl group, hydroxyethyl group, 2-methyl-1, 3-propanediol-2-yl group and 2-methyl-1-propanolamine-2-yl group, wherein at least one R group is not a hydrogen atom.